

Administrative Entity Data Element Definition: Audio (452) and Video (453)

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Subject: [FSCS FAQs] Audio/Video Definition Update

The definition that we voted on and agreed upon did not move forward because the survey is frozen in the transition.

As a result SDCs need to do one of the following:

- a) If the form has not yet been changed--leave it as is, but consider introducing downloadable audio and video as separate items to get libraries started thinking about it;
- b) If the forms are already designed to separate out the downloadable items so you can introduce concepts, collect data on downloadable audio and video but exclude it from the next federal submission.
- c) If downloadable audio and video counts have already been collected as part of the existing audio and video elements and cannot be separated, go ahead and use the data at the state level, but report -1s for both audio and video for the federal submission.

Use the manual received in December for the definition that is still in effect. (See below)

If you have any questions please contact your mentor.

From WebPLUS User's Guide, Version 1.1; Distributed December 2006:

452 Audio - These are materials on which sounds (only) are stored (recorded) and that can be reproduced (played back) mechanically, electronically, or both. Include records, audiocassettes, audio cartridges, audio discs (including audio-CD-ROMs), audio-reels, talking books, and other sound recordings.

Report the number of physical units, including duplicates. For smaller libraries, if physical unit data are not available, count the number of titles. Items

packaged together as a unit (e.g., two audiocassettes for one recorded book) and checked out as a unit are counted as one physical unit.

453 Video - These are materials on which moving pictures are recorded, with or without sound. Electronic playback reproduces pictures, with or without sound, using a television receiver or monitor. Video formats may include tape, DVD, CD-ROM, etc.

Report the number of physical units, including duplicates. For smaller libraries, if physical unit data are not available, count the number of titles. Items packaged together as a unit (e.g., two video cassettes for one movie) and checked out as a unit are counted as one physical unit.